

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 417
By Rigsby

A RESOLUTION to honor the Paralyzed Veterans of America
upon their 50th anniversary.

WHEREAS, for half a century Paralyzed Veterans of America has been instrumental in promoting and advancing the interests of veterans with spinal cord injury and dysfunction, their dependents, and all people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Paralyzed Veterans of America received a charter from the U.S. Congress on its 25th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of the Paralyzed Veterans of America over the past 50 years are worthy of recognition; and

WHEREAS, the Paralyzed Veterans of America has played a vital role in improving the lives of its members as well as all people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, through close monitoring and tracking of health care reform efforts, the Health Policy Department assisted policy makers in assuring delivery of quality health care to veterans; and

WHEREAS, the Research and Education programs of the Paralyzed Veterans of America are leaders in pioneer research on spinal cord dysfunction and education, benefiting not only the Paralyzed Veterans of America members, but all Americans with spinal cord dysfunction; and

WHEREAS, the Sports and Recreation Programs of the Paralyzed Veterans of America sponsor a wide range of athletic events including the National Veterans Wheelchair Games; and

WHEREAS, the Architecture and Barrier Free Design Program works diligently to promote the design of accessible buildings, facilities and products; and

WHEREAS, the Paralyzed Veterans of America's 59 service officers across the country have provided assistance to more than 85,000 veterans, their dependents and survivors in obtaining quality health care and other benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Paralyzed Veterans of America promotes the needs of members and all people with disabilities through its national network of 34 chapters; and

WHEREAS, the Paralyzed Veterans of America's industrious efforts have increased the rights, quality of life and productivity of all people with disabilities in the state of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for this body to commend the Paralyzed Veterans of America on 50 years of commitment and service in improving the lives of all Americans; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we congratulate the Paralyzed Veterans of America on the celebration of their golden anniversary as a distinguished service organization.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Mr. Truman Suttle, President, at Room 2D100, 1030 Jefferson Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee 38104, with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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